

ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

Beartooth Highway/U.S. 212

UPDATE FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 15 TO AUGUST 21, 2005

Work this week includes surveying, moving dirt, installing pipe, crushing rock in the quarry, and placing gravel on the roadway just east of Cooke City. The existing asphalt has been removed from Cooke City to the WY State Line, motorists can expect gravel or dirt surfaces. Just east of the Clay Butte Lookout, from MP 25 to MP 35, work includes removing material along side of the road.

Motorists should be aware of workers and equipment along the highway. Please expect the following delays and closures:

US 212 east of Cooke City to Wyoming State Line

US 212 east of Clay Butte Lookout turnoff to milepost 35

Possible 30-minute delays from 6 a.m. Monday 8/15 through 6 p.m. Friday 8/19
(no delays Saturday or Sunday)



PLEASE NOTE BEARTOOTH HIGHWAY PARTIAL ROAD CLOSURE:

Due to recent mudslides in Montana, US 212 will only be open from the Yellowstone National Park Northeast Entrance to the WY/MT State Line (MP 43), approximately 29 miles east of the Highway 296 intersection, until further notice. Please check the Montana Department of Transportation website (<http://www.mdt.state.mt.us/travinfo/beartooth/>) for updated road closure information.



Specific details of the delays and closures are available throughout the summer at a toll-free hotline:

1-888-285-INFO (4636)

Updated information is available at all area Chambers of Commerce; Montana Travel; Wyoming Tourism; Yellowstone National Park; and Custer, Gallatin, and Shoshone National Forests.